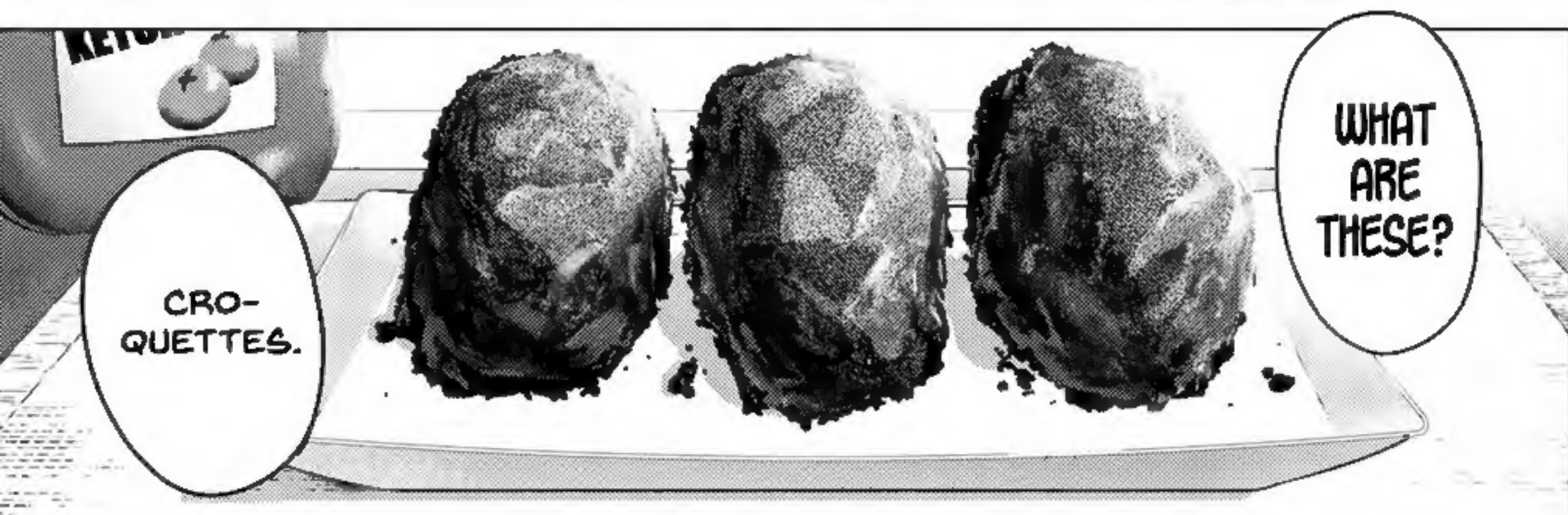


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Chapter 21: Spell





HAVING
A NAP IN
SOMEONE
ELSE'S
HOME?

WERE YOU
DRUGGED
PERHAPS?



EUREKA

YOU
COULD'VE
JUST TOLD
HER IT WAS
A FLAVOUR
YOU LIKED.



HAA...

A FLAVOUR
I LIKED...
I SEE NOW,
LESSON
LEARNED.



WHAT'S
THIS?

I DIDN'T
COME HERE
TO TEACH
YOU STUFF
LIKE THAT,
THOUGH...



R-
RIGHT.

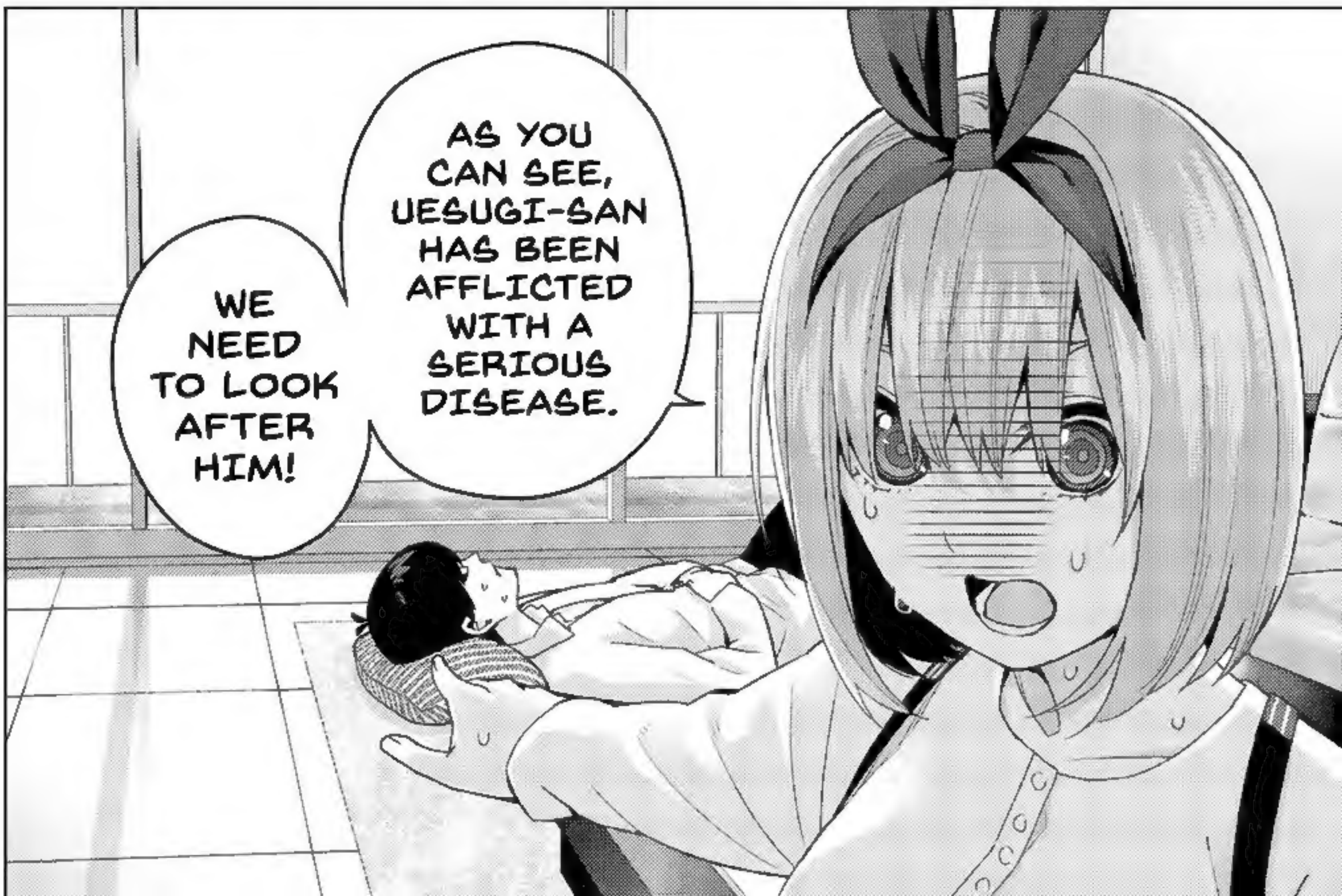
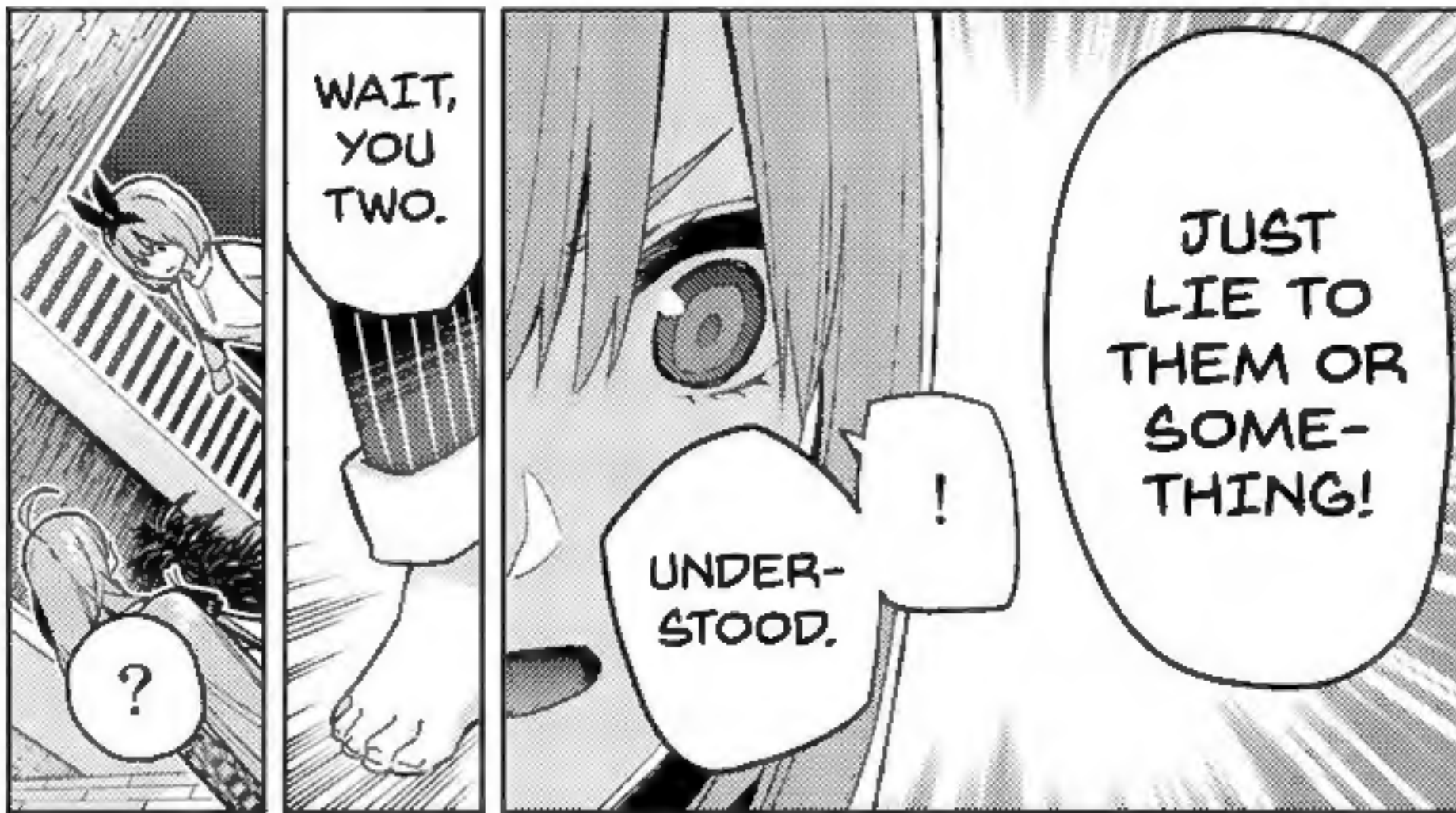
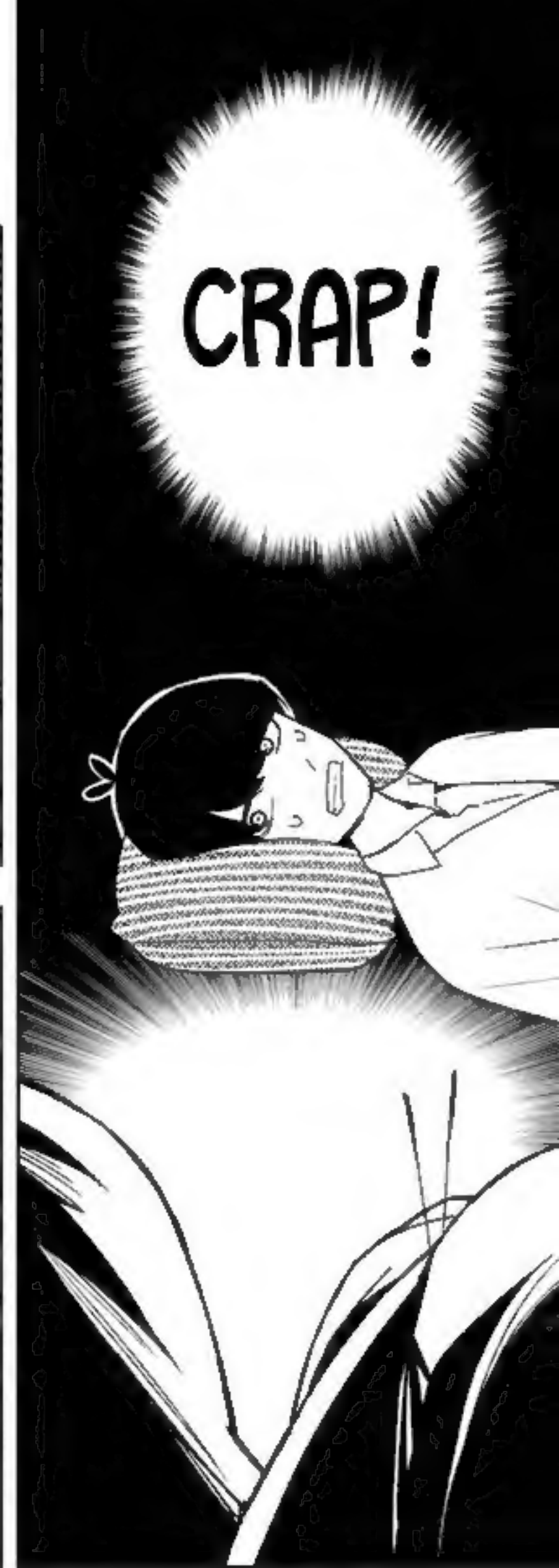
LET'S GO,
ITSUKI.
LUNCHTIME
IS ALMOST
OVER.

HMPH.
NOT LIKE
I CARE.

THANKS TO
AN IRONIC
TWIST OF
FATE, I WOULD
ACTUALLY
LIKE SOME
MEDICATION
TODAY.

NINO...
ITSUKI...

!







WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING?
YOU NEED
TO STAY
PUT!



HACK

DAMN, I
ALMOST DIED
JUST FROM
MOVING A
LITTLE...



WHAT
DOES
NINO...

OH, I
KNOW!



WHAT PART
OF THOSE
LOOK LIKE
CROQUETTES
TO YOU!?

H-HEY, IF
IT'S LUNCH
YOU WANT,
THERE'S
CROQUETTES!



WELL,
IT'S
TRUE
THAT HE
DOES
LOOK
UNWELL.

BUT I'M
SURE
HAVING
ITSUKI
AROUND
IS MORE
THAN
ENOUGH.

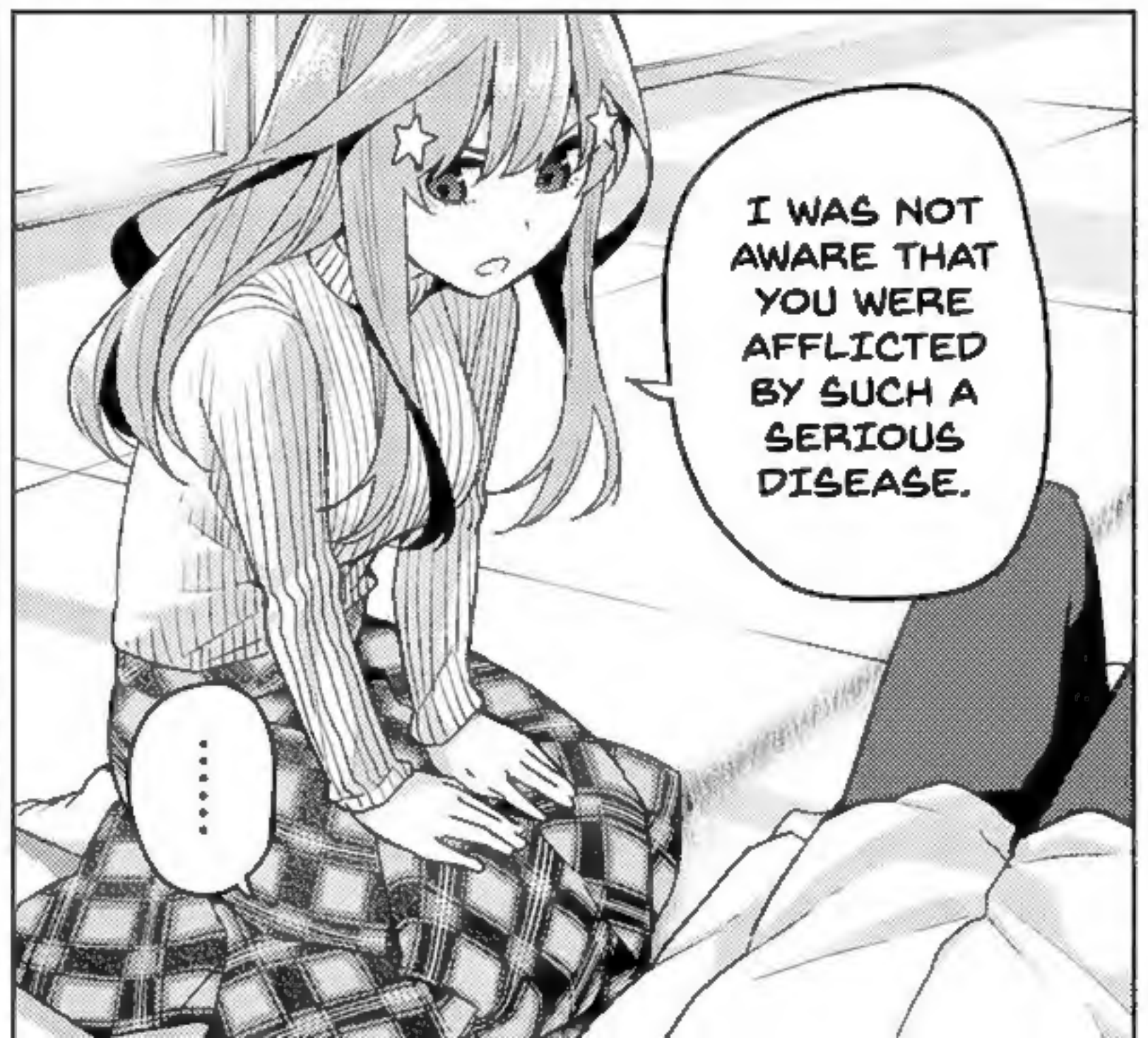
Congee is a type of rice porridge.



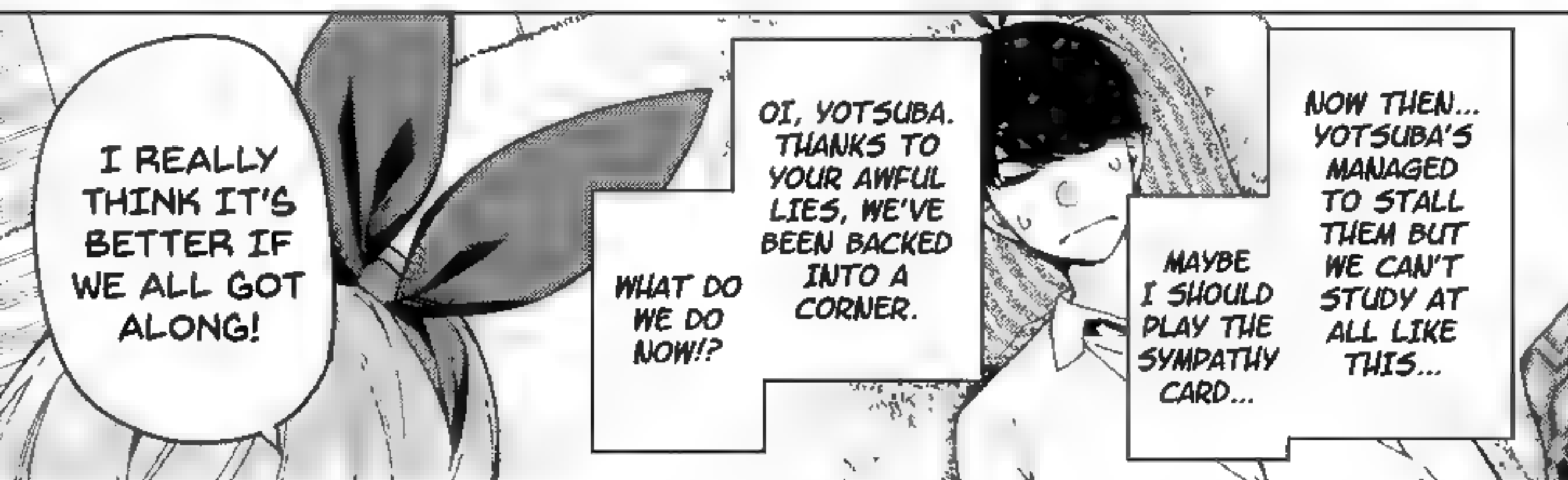
!?



YOU'RE
GOOD AT
COOKING,
RIGHT?
MAKE HIM
SOME
CONGEE!











I WILL
CONSIDER
IT...

RATHER
THAN
TRYING TO
CLUMSILY
SPIN A
WEB OF
LIES,

LOOKS
LIKE WE
WENT
ABOUT
THIS
WRONG.

THIS
SUITS
YOTSUBA
MORE.



IT WAS
A GOOD
THING WE
HAD SOME
LEFTOVER
RIC-

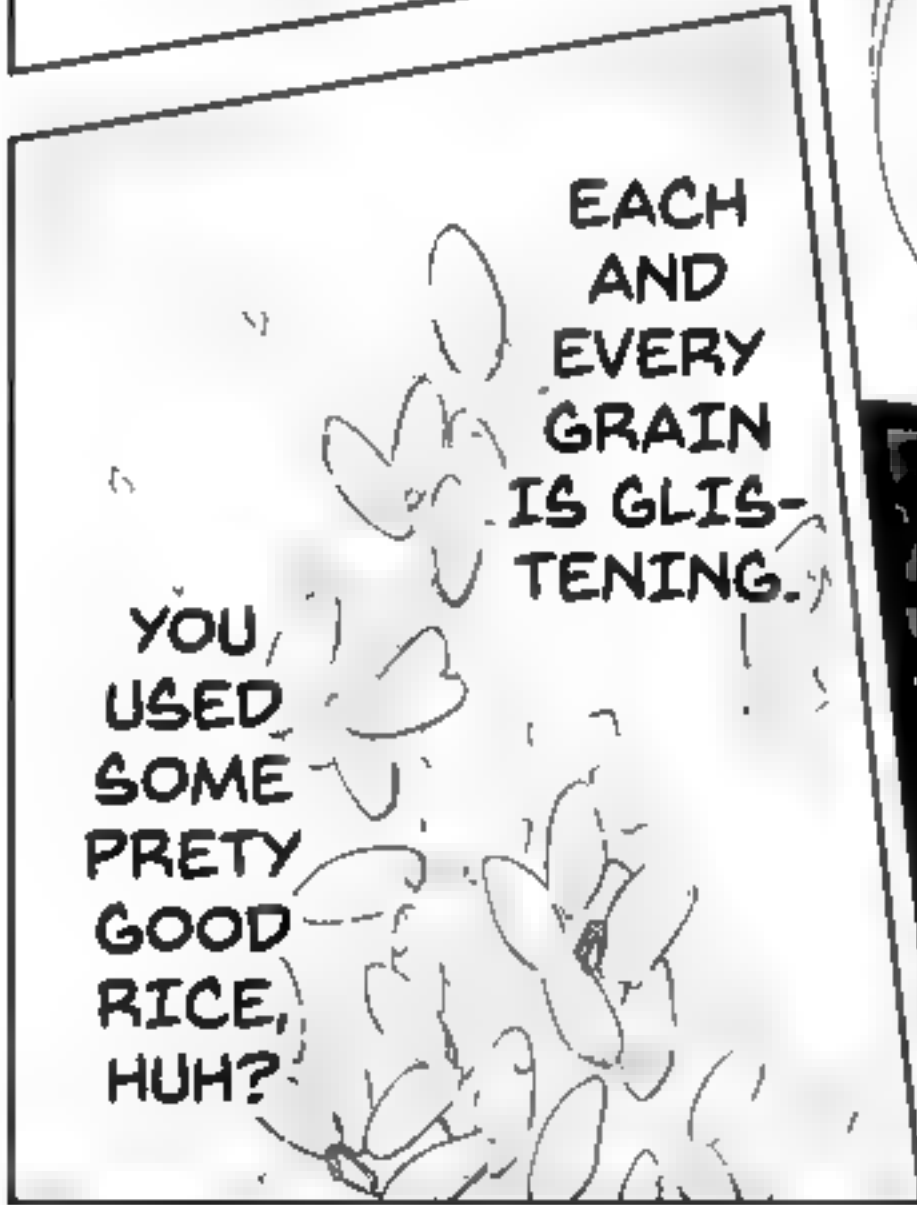
ONE
BOWL OF
CONGEE
COMING
RIGHT
UP.

squish



OH...

IT'S
EMBRYO
RICE.



EACH
AND
EVERY
GRAIN
IS GLIS-
TENING.

YOU
USED
SOME
PRETY
GOOD
RICE,
HUH?



AH.



SIZZLE

SPLAT



HUH?

YOU
DIDN'T
NOTICE?



YOU
THINK
SO?

THIS IS NO
DIFFERENT
FROM BEFORE
THE EXAM.



EVEN
THOUGH
YOU'RE
IN OUR
HOUSE.

NINO
DIDN'T
TRY TO
KICK
YOU
OUT,



THAT'S
JUST A
COINCI-
DENCE...

...



EHEHEH.

AND
MY TEST
SCORES
STILL
SUCK.

THE
ONLY
ONE WHO
HASN'T
GROWN
IS ME.



I CAN
TELL THAT
THEY'RE
CHANGING.

MIKU
TOO.



ICHIKA
AND

IT'S
NOT JUST
NINO AND
ITSUKI,
BUT



THAT'S
NOT
TRUE.

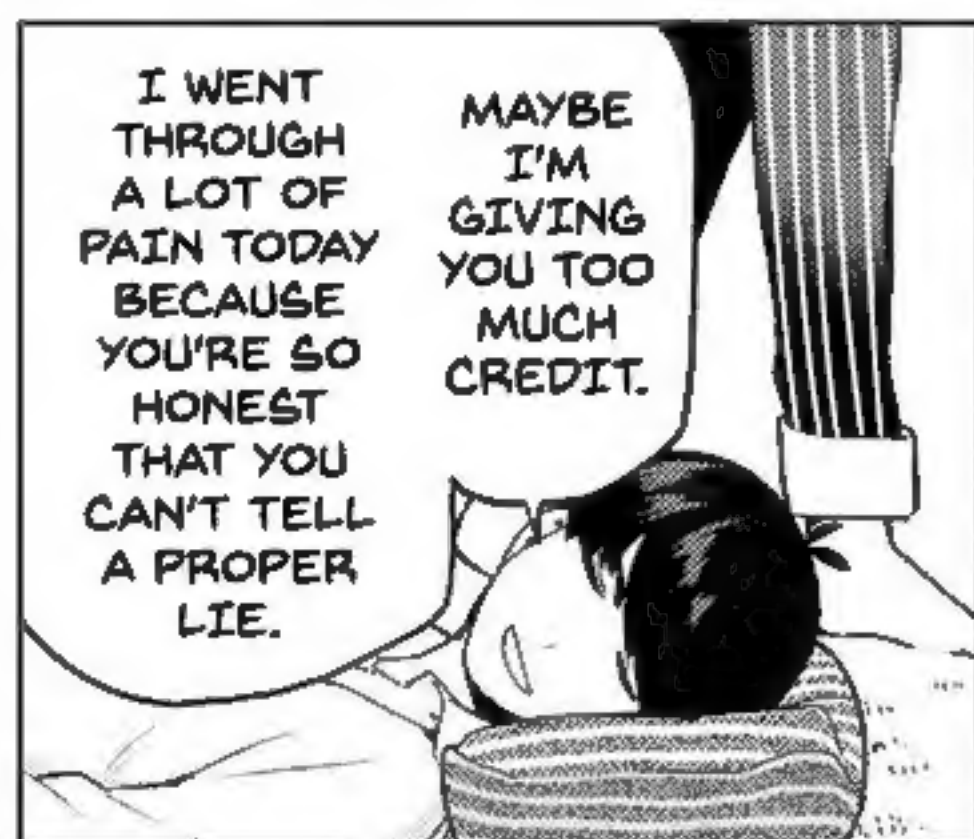


IT REALLY
HELPS THAT
THERE'S AT
LEAST ONE
PERSON WHO'S
STRAIGHT-
FORWARD
AND HONEST.

YOU
WERE THE
ONE WHO
CHANGED
FIRST.



DO YOU
KNOW WHY
I'VE BEEN
HELPING
YOU OUT?



I WENT
THROUGH
A LOT OF
PAIN TODAY
BECAUSE
YOU'RE SO
HONEST
THAT YOU
CAN'T TELL
A PROPER
LIE.

MAYBE
I'M
GIVING
YOU TOO
MUCH
CREDIT.



NOPE.



WHAT DO
YOU MEAN?
IT'S
BECAUSE
YOU WANT
BETTER
GRADES,
ISN'T IT?



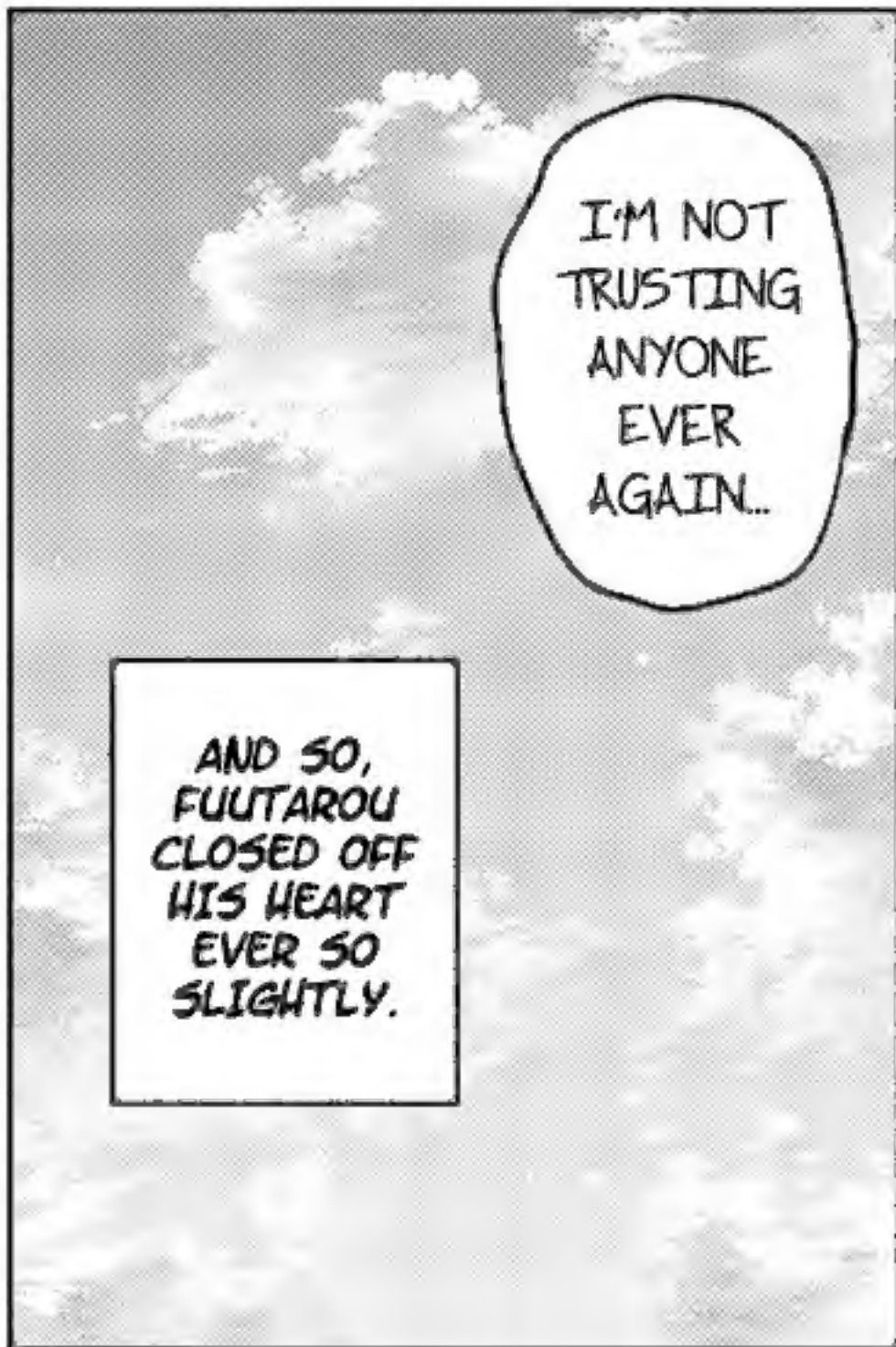


IT'S
BECAUSE
I LIKE
YOU.





**JUST
KIDDING.**



**I'M NOT
TRUSTING
ANYONE
EVER
AGAIN...**

**AND SO,
FUTAROU
CLOSED OFF
HIS HEART
EVER SO
SLIGHTLY.**



**YAY!
YOU FELL
FOR IT,
DIDN'T
YOU?**



...UGH.



**EVEN I
CAN DO
IT IF I
TRY!**